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The House met at 2 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. MESSER).

# DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,

I hereby appoint the Honorable LUKE MESSER to act as Speaker pro tempore on

> JOHN A. BOEHNER, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

#### PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Patrick J. Conroy, offered the following prayer: Loving God, we give You thanks for giving us another day.

While Members come to the end of a long weekend of constituent visits, bless them and those with whom they consult among those they represent with wisdom, patience, and generosity as they seek law and policy that benefits not only local interests, but where possible, the greater common good of our country.

We again ask You to impel those who possess power here in the Capitol to be mindful of those whom they represent who possess little or no power.

Finally, bless those men and women who work faithfully here at the Capitol, from staffers to maintenance to security, all who serve to enable the engines of legislation to proceed without distraction of day-to-day concerns.

May all that is done today be for Your greater honor and glory.

Amen.

## THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will lead the House in the Pledge

The SPEAKER pro tempore led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBER TO BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THEOPEN WORLD LEADERSHIP CEN-

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair announces the Speaker's appointment, pursuant to section 313 of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 2001 (2 U.S.C. 1151), as amended by section 1601 of Pub. L. 111-68, and the order of the House of January 6, 2015, of the following Member on the part of the House to the Board of Trustees of the Open World Leadership Center:

Mr. PRICE, North Carolina.

# HOUSE BILLS APPROVED BY THE PRESIDENT

The President notified the Clerk of the House that on the following dates, he had approved and signed bills of the following titles:

July 6, 2015:

H.R. 533. An Act to revoke the charter of incorporation of the Miami Tribe of Oklahoma at the request of that tribe, and for other purposes.

H.R. 615. An Act to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to require the Under Secretary for Management of the Department of Homeland Security to take administrative action to achieve and maintain interoperable communications capabilities among

the components of the Department of Homeland Security, and for other purposes.

H.R. 893. An Act to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of Boys Town, and for other purposes.

July 20, 2015:

H.R. 91. An Act to amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to issue, upon request, veteran identification cards to certain veterans.

H.R. 728. An Act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 7050 Highway BB in Cedar Hill, Missouri, as the "Sergeant First Class William B. Woods, Jr. Post Office'

H.R. 891. An Act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 141 Paloma Drive in Floresville, Texas, as the "Floresville Veterans Post Office Build-

H.R. 1326. An Act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2000 Mulford Road in Mulberry, Florida, as the "Sergeant First Class Daniel M. Ferguson Post Office"

H.R. 1350. An Act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 442 East 167th Street in Bronx, New York, as the "Herman Badillo Post Office Build-

H.R. 2620. An Act to amend the United States Cotton Futures Act to exclude certain cotton futures contracts from coverage

July 28, 2015:

H.R. 2499. An Act to amend the Small Business Act to increase access to capital for veteran entrepreneurs, to help create jobs, and for other purposes.

July 31, 2015:

H.R. 3236. An Act to provide an extension of Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other programs funded out of the Highway Trust Fund, to provide resource flexibility to the Department of Veterans Affairs for health care services, and for other purposes.

August 6, 2015:

H.R. 876. An Act to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to require hospitals to provide certain notifications to individuals classified by such hospitals under observation status rather than admitted as inpatients of such hospitals.

H.R. 1626. An Act to reduce duplication of information technology at the Department of Homeland Security, and for other pur-

☐ This symbol represents the time of day during the House proceedings, e.g., ☐ 1407 is 2:07 p.m.

Matter set in this typeface indicates words inserted or appended, rather than spoken, by a Member of the House on the floor.

